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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: DI Research Program for 1984

1. I like your research program. Does DIA do this kind of a prospectus?

2. I note "Opposition to Cleric Rule" in Iran as an Exploratory Project. There seems to be a lot of turmoil in Iran right now. [redacted]

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[redacted] I'd like to set a mid-year target to come up with something in Iran [redacted] depth and not necessarily with the same kind of external assistance. I would put Iran second, or at least in the first five, in US concerns. Another reason to do this is to get some analysts more deeply into the Iranian concerns.

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3. In addition to "Strategic Access on the North African Littoral", consider the strategic threat represented by Libya to aircraft carriers on NATO's southern flank and that of the Sixth Fleet.

4. I note an absence of Algeria which may be ready to turn our way, if slowly. That was the perception of the [redacted] the first [redacted] to be received there since independence.

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5. The OSWR program is awesome. But would it be useful to do a roundup of possible off-beat, low intensity capabilities -- nuclear, chemical, bacteriological, climate control, disruptive intrusion into operating systems (i.e. transport, communications, record keeping systems), which might be employed by states or terrorist groups. I was briefed by the Futures on Technology forecasting contractor recently and they had brainstormed rather a wide range of such possibilities including of the Moscow subway system.

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6. On OCR, how about Palestinian and Lebanese factional leaders and Central American and southern African guerrilla leaders as well as Afghanistan. Also, continued work on identifying and tracking the Soviet, Cuban, East German, Libyan diplomatic, military and intelligence people who get assignments relating to the development of the more significant surrogates and targets in the creeping imperialism orbit. Might be worth assigning someone from IAD or a DI or DO geographic branch who would bring this perspective into OCR.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: 1984 Research Program

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1. I have looked through your research program which I return herewith. The only real suggestion I have to make is the one I made orally this morning on developing early-on a broad picture of the Soviet military-industrial complex as well as the economy in micro terms so that we can judge what has happened, how it is affected by the plethora of individual initiatives in the Soviet studies on the significance of the military-industrial complex in the SOVA program, and what this portends in future Soviet policies, objectives and directions. We need a piece which we can improve on at intervals as various studies are completed in somewhat the same way as the 11-3-8 estimate serves as a base for evaluating new weapons and strategic programs. To be specific, what I visualize to be needed is a putting together of the developments in the programs on (a) the military-industrial complex, (b) the sector analysis and (c) the Soviet economy to provide a broad look at their capacity to support their military and political objectives, internally and externally, and the significance of new economic and industrial initiatives, facility expansions and responses to external economic pressures.

2. One other point, I take it that the projects on cross-cutting themes for the most part repeats the projects of the various Offices.


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